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CURRENT TOPICS.

CALIFORNIA farmers insure their crops. The population of Minneapolis is now over 147,000.

HANDCRAFT has 4,000 rose bushes in his Newport Garden.

ONIONS from Egypt are being sold in the streets of Boston.

The Fourth of July will not come on Sunday again until 1907.

ALBANY, N. Y., is the oldest town in the old thirteen colonies.

There is one horse to every six inhabitants in this country.

The new Prohibition law is closing up the big hotels in Rhode Island.

THOMAS DUNN, of Brighton, Mich., snapped a rib by sneezing too robustly.

A deposit of genuine meerschaum has been found on the beach near Yaquina, Oregon.

The vein of iron ore discovered at Negaunee, Mich., turns out to be 150 feet in thickness.

CHOLERA seems to have found the conditions favorable for a widespread harvest of death in Italy.

Last year 270,000,000 stamped envelopes were sold by the Government. They were worth \$5,773,000.

A **PEKIN**, (Ill.) girl won a chewing gum contest by waggling her jaws six thousand times in sixty minutes.

A **YOUNG** man at Nevada City undertook to eat two dozen eggs at one sitting, but gave up after eating twenty-one.

The opinion in Washington appears to be that Congress will hardly reach an adjournment before the 1st of August.

KATIE GOOD, seven years old, carries a ladder and lights street lamps in Lancaster. She says she does it to help her "pop."

The late King of Bavaria made his valet wear a black mask for a year, as a punishment for some imaginary offense.

A **RARE** was seriously poisoned at Santa Barbara, Cal., by sucking a green veil that was used for the purpose of screening the cradle.

Over 800 convicts on Blackwell's Island, only three—Herr Meck, Braunschweig and Schenck, the Anarchists—refuse to go to church.

FOURTY or fifty farmers in the vicinity of Centralia, Ill., discouraged by the failure of their crops, will sell out and go in a body to Oregon.

MRS. R. L. BALDWIN, of East Boston, a returned missionary from China, has petitioned Congress to allow her to import a Chinese servant.

This young Emperor of China is reported ill with consumption, and the whole empire will soon be beating gongs to frighten away the dragon.

There were six births in the steerage of the steamer Hammonia, which arrived at New York the other day, during her voyage from Bremen.

MR. WILMOTT, an English expert, says that six and a half tons of diamonds have been dug up in South Africa, and these cut are valued at \$200,000,000.

The fatness of Denmark is something remarkable, a geographical survey having shown that the loftiest mountain of the country is only 535 feet high.

RECENT investigations by Dr. James Cameron and Prof. Barlow show that cows have scarlatina, and communicate the disease to those who drink their milk.

A **CLAM-OPENER** in a Westchester, Pa. restaurant, found alive mouse among his clams the other morning, one clam holding it securely by a foot and another by the tail.

There were 346 earthquakes recorded last year. Only six are put down for the United States. The fact is, we are about out of earthquakes, but we have plenty of cyclones.

A **SHOWER** pot with about 15,000 English silver coins in it has been found in digging for the foundation of a building in Aberdeen, Scotland. The coins are of the reign of Edward I.

AFRICA women are so fiendishly barbarous as to compel little children to share in the mutilation and torture of prisoners, in order to cultivate in them a taste for bloody acts of cruelty.

A **STONE** plow which weighs upward of 300 pounds, and bearing a resemblance to the sort of agricultural implements used in ancient Egypt, was found in a quarry at Milford, N. J., a few days ago.

The Royal Academy of Belgium offers a prize of \$5,000 for the ablest paper on treatment of nervous diseases, especially with a view for a remedy for epilepsy. Here is a chance for fame and money.

J. C. BANKS, of Olney, Ill., caught a land turtle in 1885 and cut his initials on the shell. Recently he found the same turtle in the garden, within a short distance of the place where he saw it twenty-one years ago.

There is a little paper published at Valley Falls, Kan., which calls itself *Lucifer, the Light Bearer*, and which applauds boom-throwing and torch-applying as the chief remedies for the evils that affect society.

WILLIAM GREEN, of Highgate, Eng., did a queer thing the other day. He signed the pledge, pinned on the blue ribbon and smashed 250 bottles of wine—his whole cellar of wine, in fact—for which he paid \$3,000.

A **HOTEL-KEEPER** at Coney Island has applied for an injunction to restrain a neighbor from the further use of an extremely energetic barrel organ that is run by steam, and which has emptied the hotel of all its guests.

MRS. GOVILL, aged 114 years, and formerly maid of honor at the Court of Emperor Paul I., was buried recently in the cemetery of Smolensk, Russia. Behind the bier with firm step walked the younger sister of the deceased, aged 113 years.

LEATHER made from the hide of the North Sea porpoise is extremely fine and elastic, waterproof and durable. There are now shoes being made of this leather, and they appear to promise some very desirable features in point of wear and moisture-resisting properties.

A PROCLAMATION.

The President Warns Office-Holders Not to Participate in Conventions or Private Affairs.

"Office-Holders are the Agents of the People, Not Their Masters."

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The President has issued the following proclamation:

EXECUTIVE MANNING,
WASHINGTON, July 14, 1886.

To the Heads of Departments in the Service of the Government:

I deem this a proper time to especially warn all subordinates in the several departments and all office-holders under the General Government against the use of their official positions in attempts to control political movements in their localities.

Office-holders are the agents of the people—not their masters. Not only is their time and labor due to the Government, but they should scrupulously avoid in their political action, as well as in the discharge of their official duty, offending by a display of obtrusive partisanship their neighbors who have relations with them as public officials. They should also constantly remember their party friends from whom they have received preferment, have not invested them with the power of arbitrarily managing their political affairs. They have no right, as office-holders, to dictate the political action of their party associates or to throttle freedom of action to those who are not members of their party. The use by these officials of their positions to compass their election as delegates to political conventions is indecent and unfair, and proper regard for the proprieties and respectability of office places should prevent their assuming the active conduct of political campaigns.

Individual interest and activity in political affairs are by no means condemned. Office-holders are neither disfranchised nor forbidden the exercise of political privileges, but their official positions are not to be used to give duty to party increased to pernicious activity by office-holding.

A just discrimination in this regard between the things a citizen may properly do and the purposes for which a public office should not be used, is easy in the light of a correct appreciation of the relation between the people and those entrusted with official place, and a consideration of the necessity for the form of government and of political action free from official coercion.

You are requested to communicate the substance of these views to those for whose guidance they are intended.

GROVER CLEVELAND.

A GREAT FLOOD.

In North Carolina, With Much Damage to Crops Reported.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 14.—Heavy and continuous rains throughout the State have caused the greatest flood since 1867. Farmers on the Cape Fear river have lost all their crops, and many have been forced to leave their homes on account of the flood.

Many turpentine distilleries are under water, and stores and dwellings are deserted. All the lowland crops in the State are injured, and only in a few sections on cliff lands there is much prospect of any sort of crop.

The damage in many sections is well nigh total, and in others from one-quarter to one-half.

Unwelcome Guests Coming.

LONDON, July 14.—A hundred Greek gypsies reached London about a week ago and squatted on a lot of land in the vicinity of Millwall. They refused to lodge in houses, and lived by begging, and terrorized over the people in scattered tenements. They started for New York to-day by the Atlantic liner steamer Italy. The departure has caused much relief to the citizens of Millwall. A vast crowd witnessed their embarkation.

Foreign Labor Test Case.

AUSTIN, TEX., July 14.—U. S. District Attorney Kleberg has brought suit in the Federal Court against the Capitol Syndicate for \$1,000 for an alleged violation of the foreign labor act. This suit grows out of the importation of Scotch granite cutters by the syndicate, and is regarded as a test case. If the government obtains a judgment, about 150 suits will probably be instituted against the syndicate.

Results of the Election.

LONDON, July 14.—The total votes polled up to the present time are: Unionists, 1,598,023; Gladstonians, 1,320,498. At midnight the totals are: Conservatives and Unionists, 867; Gladstonians, 323. The Conservatives and Unionists now estimate the final result as follows: Conservatives, 323; Liberal Unionists, 73; Gladstonians, 128; Parcellites, 54.

Waiting for a Corps to Revive.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS., July 14.—The body of Alden Hathaway, of Freetown, who was reported to have died on the 7th inst., and whose funeral services were held on the 10th, is stated to have been warm and flushed on Sunday, and the interment of the remains has been postponed until dissection is unmistakable.

An Ex-Sheriff Lynched.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 14.—Ex-Sheriff John Renshaw, of Sumpter County, Ala., was taken from jail at Livingston by a mob last night and hanged for the attempted murder of his brother-in-law.

The Cashier is Gone.

ST. LOUIS, July 14.—The Provident Savings Bank closed its doors to-day and has made an assignment. Almond B. Thompson, the cashier, has absconded. The liabilities exceed the assets by \$40,000.

Maxwell Sentenced to Death.

ST. LOUIS, July 14.—Hugh M. Brooks, alias W. H. Lennox Maxwell, convicted of murdering Charles Arthur Froler, was sentenced this morning to be hanged August 27, 1886.

Killed by an Officer.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 14.—Chas. Gill, a colored porter, was caught robbing a store to-night. He resisted the officer who was taking him to the lock-up, and was shot dead.

Starved Into Submission.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 14.—The convicts at Coal City have surrendered and have agreed to go to work. The trouble is believed to be over.

Wheat Destroyed by Fire.

MINCED, CAL., July 14.—Twelve thousand tons of wheat and five wheat-laden cars at Hoffman's Warehouse burned to-day. Loss, \$200,000.

ANOTHER BROKEN BANK.

A Nebraska President Steals One Hundred Thousand, It is Alleged, and Goes to Canada.

CHICAGO, July 13.—A special from Omaha says: "The Dandy County Bank, of Benkelman, Neb., failed yesterday. Belzer, the president, skipped to Canada, and took with him about \$100,000 in funds and securities. Business men and farmers feel the loss greatly, as many have lost the last dollar they had on earth. Several homesteaders had their little all in the bank, and were to prove up to-day. Many will have to abandon their claims. The greatest excitement prevails. Belzer had transferred all his available property to his wife before leaving. Many Eastern banks and firms lose heavily."

Electric Hand Lamp.

NEW YORK, July 14.—An exhibition of an electric hand lamp, brought from Paris by President Purroy, of the Fire Department, took place to-day in Firemen's Hall. The lamp is about the size of an ordinary small lantern, weighs about five pounds, gives a light equal to about seven-candle power, and will burn for two hours. The lamp is so constructed that when it rests on the ground the battery does not work, but when it is raised by the handle the light flashes out brightly. It is claimed that the lamp will burn two hours without a change in the battery. Mr. Purroy thinks that the lamp can be improved by an arrangement to keep it lighted when it rests on the ground. Chas. Shay will carry it about to fire for a while and give it a practical test, and if it works well other lamps will be purchased.

A Disappointed Bride.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., July 13.—A week ago Miss Ida Clark, a comely and estimable young lady, renounced Christianity, and at the Synagogue, in the presence of a large assemblage, embraced the faith of Moses and Aaron. This she did in order that she might marry a Hebrew named Holland. The wedding was set for to-night, but the bride-to-be was doomed to disappointment. Holland to-day sent her word that he had changed his mind and that the engagement was off. No explanation could be obtained from him, and nothing could alter his determination.

Greek Gypsies Refused Passage.

LIVERPOOL, July 13.—The National Steamship Company declined to accept passengers a second party of gypsies who squatted in the railway depot. They are in such a filthy condition that the railway officials have been compelled to make a lavish use of disinfectants. A magistrate has applied to the court for an order for their removal, but he decided that he had no power to act, because the depot was private property.

An Innocent Man's Fate.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., July 13.—About two years ago the residence of Mrs. McLaughlin was entered, and Mrs. McLaughlin and her sister were shockingly cut with a knife. A man named Fred. Holter was arrested, and while he was confined in jail at Winchester, a party of masked men entered the jail and shot him dead. It is now stated that the divorced husband of Mrs. McLaughlin, dying a few days ago, confessed that he was the assailant of the woman.

A Hog Cholera Epidemic.

CHICAGO, July 13.—A special from Hillsboro, Ill., says: A violent form of the hog cholera is raging in some localities in this county, many farmers having lost all their hogs. The loss in one township will reach \$1,000. Various remedies have been tried, but they have so far failed to check the progress of the malady.

Atlanta Prohibition Fight.

ATLANTA, GA., July 13.—The injunction case of Al Bronck vs. The City of Atlanta, seeking to prevent the interference of police authorities with the sale of whisky, wine and beer by the quart by plaintiff, was tried yesterday before Judge Clarke, of the Superior Court. He refused to grant an injunction, and the city will now proceed to prosecute Bronck for violating the prohibition law.

Revolution Threatened in Mexico.

LAREDO, TEX., July 13.—The situation at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, is growing more serious, and it is feared that a revolution can not be averted. Government troops are on the way from Mexico, but the revolutionists have secured a large number of Winchester rifles and may seize the Custom House before the troops arrive.

Pecu Tired of the Silver Standard.

LIMA, July 13.—In consequence of the depreciation and fluctuations of the silver currency in circulation in this Republic, it has been proposed to use the American gold dollar as the basis of all monetary transactions, either fiscal or private, using the silver dollar at a value of 80 cents, gold for all fractions under a quarter of an eagle.

Made Insane by Bible Reading.

DECATUR, ILL., July 13.—John Ritchie, who became demented by religious excitement, has been adjudged insane by the county court. He first began studying the Bible six weeks ago, and became fascinated with its contents to such an extent that he neglected his occupation and lost his mental balance.

Extradition.

LONDON, July 13.—In spite of denials, it is positively asserted that the draft of the extradition treaty between Great Britain and the United States has been signed by Lord Rosebery and Minister Phelps, and is now at Washington. The prospect of a really effective extradition treaty causes intense gratification here.

Trying the Chicago Anarchists.

CHICAGO, July 13.—The jury to try the eight Anarchists charged with the Haymarket massacre was finally impaneled to-day, and the State's Attorney began his address.

Poles Acquitted of Murder.

DETROIT, MICH., July 13.—An acquittal was to-day found in the cases of Basil and Alexander Lemko and August Steber, accused of killing John Levitzki during the riot attendant at the outbreak in Stalbert's Polish Catholic congregation last winter, when Rev. D. Kalasinski was despoiled.

Texas People Asking for Aid.

WEATHERFORD, TEX., July 13.—A telegram was sent to Congressman Lanham at Washington, yesterday, asking him to secure Government aid for the people of the drought-stricken regions of Texas. Hundreds of families are without the necessities of life.

ACCIDENT TO A CIRCUS.

Forepaugh's Train Goes Over an Embankment.

Killing Twenty-five Valuable Horses—Two Attaches Killed and Several Wounded.

PORTLAND, ME., July 16.—Information is received here of a fatal accident to Forepaugh's circus train on the Maine Central Railroad at Vassalboro, some fifty miles north of here. The storm having interfered with the train, particulars are meagre. The train, consisting of some twenty cars, was en route for this city, and was running at a lively rate of speed when the cars jumped the track, down to a defective rail, and plunged down the fifty-foot embankment toward the Kennebec river. Three of the cars contained animals, and there was a passenger caboose containing a number of employees. The cars rolled over and over several times, and were smashed into splinters. Twenty-five valuable trick horses were killed outright and a number of others badly injured. A number of which will have to be killed. The caboose was occupied by ten men, several of whom escaped by jumping when the car left the track, being saved from injury by the soft earth. The others were carried down the bank and were caught in the wheels and crushed. Companions extricated several badly if not fatally injured. Two men, whose names are not given, are buried beneath the wreckage in the river, and were doubtless killed instantly. A wrecking train has left for the scene.

BURNING FOR REVENGE.

A Young Lady Charged With Firing a House While Angered at a Young Man's Marriage.

LAKE BENTON, MINN., July 16.—Last night the houses of W. W. Townsend and his son, L. M. Townsend, were burned. To-day Miss Ida Childs was arrested, charged with having fired the buildings. Miss Childs had been living with the family for years past, and she claims to have been married to young Townsend three years ago, his father, who was a justice, performing the ceremony. The marriage has been kept a secret on account of her holding a claim. Young Townsend was married to Miss Jennie Johnson last Saturday, and the Townsends claim that Miss Childs burned the property for revenge. The barn and granary were also set on fire, but were saved. The examination before Justice McArthur is set for Saturday, when startling disclosures are expected.

Socialists Giving Trouble.

LONDON, July 16.—A revival of the Socialist troubles in London is threatened. The police have summoned a number of prominent Socialists to answer at trial on Saturday for obstructing the streets last Sunday, and have given warning that future offenders against the peace and quiet of the city will be promptly arrested. The Socialist League issued an address last night which is an inflammatory appeal to the masses, urging them to maintain free speech against the tyranny of the police at all hazards.

Poisoned by the Dozens.

CHARLESTON, ILL., July 16.—Seventy-five leading ladies held a picnic yesterday. The refreshments served were ice-cream, lemon-merbet and watermelon. In the evening almost every one was taken violently ill, with symptoms of poisoning. Medical skill was not to work and no fatal consequences are apprehended. There are no means of ascertaining where the hidden poison lay, but it is believed to have been in the lemon-merbet. Some of the sherbet has been preserved for examination. No blame is attached to any one.

Riddled With Bullets.

GARDEN CITY, KAN., July 16.—One of the murderers of Davis, the man found floating in Arkansas river with a bullet-hole in his head, was riddled with bullets by pursuing party at Frisco, about sixty miles southwest of Garden City, this morning. He had concealed himself in a livery-stable and was armed with a revolver. The posse surrounded the stable and commanded the murderer to surrender. He commenced firing, and was instantly killed by a volley of bullets.

Terrible Accident in a Shaft.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Five men in an iron bucket, being lowered by windlass to their work down one of the shafts of the new aqueduct, this evening were set on fire by the explosion of the gasoline lamp carried by one of them, and, frantic with pain, they all leaped from the bucket and fell to the bottom of the shaft, hundreds of feet below, receiving terrible injuries, besides their burns.

Voices from the Grave to Save a Brother.

BOSTON, July 16.—In the trial of Timothy Coffey for manslaughter, in causing the death of John Cullen, the defense to-day introduced a remarkable autograph confession of John Coffey, the deceased brother of the defendant, avowing that the writer had killed Cullen, and that Timothy was wholly innocent. John says that he used his knife in self-defense.

A Murderer Swung Off.

WOODSTOCK, ILL., July 16.—Jas. Dacey, the murderer of Alderman Michael Gagey, of Chicago, was hanged here at 12:35 to-day. He made no speech and was moderately composed, though during the morning he screamed almost continuously, and had his limbs bound to prevent his making an assault on any of his attendants.

Smallpox.

CHICAGO, July 16.—Fourteen cases of smallpox at Boland Ill. The disease was brought there by a German emigrant. There has been one death.

A New Enemy to the Potato.

CHICAGO, July 16.—A special from Freeport, Ill., says: Farmers state that the potatoes are being destroyed by a big black bug that is even more dangerous and destructive than the common striped bug. They are about a quarter of an inch long, and have done considerable damage.

Alleged Embezzling Postmaster.

KANSAS CITY, MO., July 15.—E. N. Wyatt, who for nine months has been postmaster at Austin, Cass County, Mo., was held to await the action of the grand jury to-day by United States Commissioner Perkins on a charge of embezzling \$600. Bail in the sum of \$1,000 was given.

TOOK A TUMBLE.

A Building Half a Century Old Gives Way, Burying Several Men Beneath the Ruins.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Shortly after 9 o'clock this evening the three-story building, No. 176 Tenth street, occupied as a flour store by Sweeney & Sons, suddenly caved in, causing great excitement in the neighborhood, it being feared that several persons had perished in the ruins. The police of the Fourth Precinct, assisted by a number of citizens, succeeded in extracting from the debris Richard Pugh, aged forty-five; Wm. Evans, aged thirty-two, and Mathias Hansabas, twenty-three. All were severely bruised about the head and body, and were removed to the Chambers Street Hospital. The accident is supposed to have been caused by the overloading of the upper floors of this building with flour. The building was erected fifty years ago.

After Thirty-Two Years.

FOX CREEK, ME., July 15.—A romance in real life culminated in Bingham the past week. Thirty-two years ago Abram O. Savage, a young man, became engaged to Miss Flaviola Chadborne. Savage went to Nevada, neglected writing to his affianced, and she, thinking him lost to her, subsequently married Wm. Bassett. Their wedded life ran smoothly for a time, but at length he went to California. Unpleasant rumors of his conduct reached his wife; and investigation proving their truth, a separation and division of property were agreed upon. Mrs. Bassett returned to Bingham, and a friend of Savage wrote the latter, incidentally mentioning the misfortunes of his lost love. Savage, who had become a millionaire, at once started East, saw Mrs. Bassett, renewed his offer of marriage, and after thirty-two years of waiting the early engagement was at once terminated by a quiet wedding.

Trouble in a Post-Office.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., July 15.—Two letter-carriers and three clerks in the Springfield postoffice, walked out yesterday without giving Postmaster Clendenin any notice. The reason for this abrupt action was a refusal on the part of Mr. Clendenin to promise to retain them in their position for a period of six weeks, and allow them two weeks' vacation, which they are entitled to. Their places were promptly filled with Democrats. The superintendent of carriers, whose successor was appointed a few days ago, but whose salary was to run to August 1, refused to instruct his successor, and he was discharged.

Tea for Europe via America.

OMAHA, July 15.—The first train of eighty car-loads of tea bound from Japan to Europe, passed through Omaha Friday, having made better than passenger time on the run from San Francisco to this city. A contest is taking place to determine whether tea can be shipped from China and Japan to Europe quicker by the American overland route than by the Suez Canal.

Imprisoned for Another's Crime.

COLUMBUS, O., July 15.—A few years ago Alfred Peel, of Franklin County, O., was sent to the penitentiary for the murder of Kate Grimes, a paramour. During his confinement George Lee, a girl whom he had been seduced, drowned herself. It has since been ascertained that George Lee confessed the murder, and having testified against Peel to screen herself, Peel has been liberated.

Offered to Marry Victoria.

LONDON, July 15.—James Junior recently wrote an offer of marriage to Queen Victoria. He commenced his letter, "My beloved Victoria," and signed it, "Your loving husband." He sent the epistle to Windsor Castle, and called there to obtain the Queen's answer. He was taken into custody, examined and found mentally unbalanced, and was yesterday sent to a lunatic asylum.

Excursionists in the Water.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Twenty-five excursionists were thrown into the water from a gang plank in making a landing at Rockaway Beach. They were all rescued. The bravery of a man named John O'Toole is commendable. He rescued no less than seven persons, mostly women and children.

Another Banker Short \$68,000.

PEORIA, ILL., July 15.—Harlan P. Tracy, the Elmwood banker who recently made an assignment, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with embezzlement. The warrant was sworn out by some of the creditors of the bank, who have had an expert going over the books, and claim to have discovered a shortage of \$68,000.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

WELLINGTON, O., July 15.—A boiler in the boiler shop of Joseph Fassett exploded, wrecking the building and instantly killing Chas. Driscoll, aged five years, and fatally injuring his sister Mary, aged three, who were playing in the yard adjoining the boiler-house.

Murdered With Dynamite.

WHEELING, W. VA., July 15.—At an early hour this morning Bour Ramage, a merchant at the Union Coal Works, eleven miles down the river on the Ohio side, was killed and his store blown to atoms by dynamite deposited beneath it. Henry Campbell, a former partner of Ramage, was arrested on suspicion.

The Cholera in Italy.

ROME, July 15.—The following are to-day's returns from the cholera-infected districts: Brindisi, 7 new cases, 2 deaths; Fontana, 16 new cases, 2 deaths; Latio, 8 new cases, 3 deaths. A few new cases but no deaths are reported from other places.

Against Prohibition.

VICKSBURG, MISS., July 15.—The election passed off quietly yesterday. The vote in the city shows about 1,200 majority against prohibition, and in the county, including this city, a majority of about 5,000 against.

Killed With a Brick.

CINCINNATI, July 15.—Henry Brendenier, Jr., killed his father with a brick. Brendenier, Jr., was drunk and assaulting his wife, in Covington, Ky.

"Ned Buntline" Dead.

NASHVILLE, TENN., July 15.—Edward Z. C. Judson, known as "Ned Buntline," a well-known story writer, is dead.

Trouble at a Picnic.

CARROLLTON, ILL., July 15.—Four men quarreled at a picnic near here and three of them were fatally cut with knives.

XLIXTH CONGRESS.

First Session.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—SENATE.—A bill was introduced to stop all payments of public money to James B. Eads, his associates or assigns, until further ordered by Congress. A bill was passed to prevent obstructions to navigation in the harbor of New York City by dumping or otherwise. The Committee on Privileges and Elections got permission to sit during sessions of the Senate, presumably on the Payne case. The Mexican war pension bill was passed with Senate amendments. A number of bills on the calendar were objected to. Judiciary Committee reported back Beck's bill to prohibit members of Congress from acting as attorneys for railroads aided by the Government. Substitutes were also reported. The river and harbor bill was taken up. The Hene